

## CHILD THESPIAN IN PLAY

Eileen Maskrey of Torrance Will Make First Appearance In L. A. Club Production, December 18

Eileen Maskrey, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Maskrey, 1719 Marlina, will appear Friday evening, December 18, at the Wilshire Elks club in a play, "Three Is a Crowd." Eileen will have the leading part in the production, and will be supported by Marshall Stedman and others.

Although this young dramatic reader has been before the public for several years, and is programmed at many club and benefit affairs, this is her first appearance in a play. Eileen entertained Saturday at the Los Angeles Breakfast club, and also appeared recently at a benefit performance at the Shrine auditorium. She will take part during Christmas holiday vacation in Big Brother Ken's revues at some of the Los Angeles theatres.

Eileen has been studying dramatic art under some of the best instructors in the Southland and is said to have exceptional ability in that art.

She has ambitions of a career on the stage or in the talkies.



Little Eileen Maskrey

## WHAT'S THE GOOD NEWS?

(Optimistic Items Gathered Around the State by United Press)

**STOCKTON.**—To obtain a stock of children's shoes for charity, a local theater gave a matinee recently, the price of admission being one pair of usable, worn shoes.

**PORTOLA.**—With a thick covering of snow on the Sierra, plans for erection of shelter houses at skating ponds and at the foot of the big ski slide are under way.

**SAN FRANCISCO.**—Improvements to San Francisco harbor aggregating \$1,000,000 will be launched at once, according to the board of harbor directors.

**CRESCENT CITY.**—The new \$15,000 plant of the Crescent Cheese and Produce company, one of the most modern in California, opened here this week.

**FRESNO.**—The first "progress payment" on the 1930 raisin crop, totalling approximately \$1,000,000, was made to growers here in time to meet the first installment of their taxes.

**LOS ANGELES.**—Increased production of crude oil in the major producing areas of California

swelled the average daily output to 506,000 barrels last week, a gain of 10,250 barrels over the preceding week.

**MOJAVE.**—Owners of the Kelly gold and silver mine have shipped a 35-pound gold brick to the mint—the second shipped in two months.

**OROVILLE.**—H. Wangelin is harvesting his second crop of potatoes at his ranch near here. He harvested his first crop last July.

**ATASCADERO.**—San Luis Obispo county's taxes were reduced this year by \$133,000, leaving \$1,654,000 to be collected, County Auditor Harry Truesdale has announced.

**INDEPENDENCE.**—Independence will have a community Christmas tree this year, and plans are being worked out by a committee headed by James G. Scott.

**MARTINEZ.**—Final plans for Contra Costa's proposed \$100,000 hall of records have been adopted by the county board of supervisors.

## Local Health Officer Urges Seals Support

An urgent appeal that the public cooperate in the prevention of tuberculosis among children, the most serious infectious disease problem which at present confronts the health officer, has been sent out by Dr. H. C. Smiley, health officer for Torrance.

"Tuberculosis is the most insidious disease with which we have to deal," states Dr. Smiley. "Its infection begins in childhood and where resistance has been impaired through mal-nourishment or there is contact with an active case of the disease the danger of tuberculosis is serious unless proper preventive measures are taken. 'Every child who is physically below par should be given a thorough medical examination and a chest x-ray when necessary. Through adequate rest, nutrition, medical and hygienic supervision any child in danger of the disease, or already infected, if discovered early enough, can be protected against a future break-down.'

**Heart Breaking Case.**—Following a period of depression we are faced with an inevitable increase in tuberculosis unless every precaution and preventive measure is taken. The actual break-downs will not come until a year or two hence, but the preventive work must be done now. Every active case, especially among children attending school, should be sought out through medical and chest x-ray examinations. Every infected case means the infection of well children with whom they come in contact and every day of delay in care endangers the chance of recovery.

"A heart breaking case was that of a 13-year-old girl whom an x-ray examination revealed to be in an early stage of infection. The warning was ignored despite the health officer's advice that she be placed under medical care. A few months later she had a hemorrhage and the frightened parents appealed too late for help. Yet five other girls found in the same stage of infection are now back in school, rosy cheeked, well and strong as a result of timely care.

**To Save Kiddies.**—The Los Angeles County Tuberculosis and Health Association is doing a splendid piece of preventive work among school children and young adults. Their work is entirely financed through Christmas Seals.

**FOOD SALE.**—The Lutheran Ladies Aid will have a food sale at the Piggy Wiggy market, Saturday afternoon, December 12, from 2 to 5:30 o'clock.

## Teachers Begin Institute Mon.

The thirty-eighth annual Teachers' Institute will be celebrated next Monday morning, December 14, when the doors of four great auditoriums will be thrown open at 9:30 o'clock to welcome the more than 10,000 educators who, under the laws of the State of California, are required to attend at least ten half-day sessions of the Institute, if they are employed as full time teachers.

At the close of the first three days, the California Teachers' Association, Southern Section, will take over the sessions, and approximately 15,000 teachers from Los Angeles County and near-by cities are expected to be in attendance during the remainder of Institute Week.

## Lasso Announces Special Yuletide Excursion Rates

Christmas and New Year excursions at the lowest rate which has been effective this year, will be operated on six northbound sailings of the Lasso coastwise liner Yale, according to announcement today by Ralph J. Chandler, vice-president and general manager of the Los Angeles Steamship company.

A low round-trip rate of \$10.95 between Los Angeles, Wilmington or Long Beach and San Francisco will apply to tickets sold for the northbound sailings of the Yale from Los Angeles harbor December 21, 23, 25, 28, 30 and January 1. The return limit on all tickets will be January 5.

As is customary on Lasso excursions, the cost of berth and meals is included in the low round-trip fares. Standard outside state-rooms and de luxe accommodations will, as usual, command a slightly higher rate. Approximately one-third the ship, however, is available at the minimum rate for each of the six sailings.

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## Dog and Pony Circus To Be Held Saturday At Harbor City Hall

A "society circus dog and pony show" will give Saturday night, beginning at 7:30 o'clock at the Harbor City Chamber of Commerce hall for the benefit of Harbor City unemployed. The event is sponsored by the Careful Drivers of America, which has its headquarters in that community. As staged by J. G. Kennedy,

owner of Kennedy's Trained Pets, and Mr. King, secretary of the chamber, the circus will feature Betty, the smallest horse in the world, who weighs only 106 pounds; Ted, the wonder dog, and a Charleston contest between boys and girls in the audience and the dogs. Another contest with the same participants, will be the laugh-provoking "weiler-eating contest." Kennedy announces that suitable prizes will be awarded the winners.

Tickets for the show are on sale at any store in Harbor City. The

music will be provided by the potentially famous Haywire Orchestra of that community. The Careful Drivers hope to realize a good sum from the circus as funds are needed to take care of Harbor City families who are in dire want.

## DEEDS ACCEPTED

Deeds and easements have been accepted by the city of Los Angeles in connection with the proposed improvement of Amaranth street from Weston to 257th place, it is reported this week.

## NEW TYPE ROAD MACHINE WORKING ON BOULEVARD

LOMITA.—Experimenting with a new type of road machine, which will be tried out on every type of road before accepted by the state, the state road department has been busy for several days smoothing but the humps on Redondo-Wilmington boulevard.

The machine resembles one of the caterpillars used during the World War and is so new it has no name except "planer."

## Mothers' Center To Meet On January 4

Twenty-seven registered babies welcomed a newcomer, Baby Nelson Reeve, to their Mothers' Educational Center at the regular meeting last Friday.

The next meeting of the Center will be Monday, January 4, on account of New Year's falling on Friday the first, which is the regular M. E. Center meeting date.

## CANADIANS TO SPEND WINTER WITH FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brown, of Deloraine, Manitoba, D. C., arrived in Torrance recently to spend the remainder of the winter. They are guests at the home of Mrs. Sarah Eddleston, 649 Border Ave. Brown was formerly station agent for the Canadian National railway, but is now on the retired list after 24 years of service.

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